whereas, Brooklyn's distinguished educational institutions are an integral part of our character, and make vital contributions to the quality of life of our residents and communities, it is most fitting that we join in celebrating their milestone events; and

whereas, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York, and Dr. Christoph M. Kimmich, President, celebrate the 75th anniversary of the college, the Brooklyn branches of Hunter College and City College having merged on May 15, 1930, thereby creating Brooklyn College, the first coeducational public college in New York, an institution that has educated and graduated more than 140,000 students over the past 75 years, among whom are some of the most prominent business, academic, financial and political leaders of our day and whose diversity of faculty, students and staff reflects the ethnic and cultural richness of New York; and

whereas, on behalf of all Brooklynites, I salute and commend Brooklyn College, Dr. Kimmich, its alumni, students, faculty and staff as we celebrate the college's outstanding faculty, rigorous academic standards, innovative curriculum, and premier status—recently ranked third among America's Best Value Colleges by the Princeton Review, as well as its recent recognition as the nation's most beautiful college campus—and offer warmest wishes for continued outstanding success on this very special occasion;

Now, therefore, I, Marty Markowitz, President of the Borough of Brooklyn, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, May 10th, 2005

Brooklyn College 75th Anniversary Day in Brooklyn, USA

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Borough of Brooklyn to be affixed this 10th day of May, 2005.

President of the Borough of Brooklyn